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SUBJ: PORTUGUESE CONTRACTS WITH AEC FOR URANIUM
ENRICHMENT

REFS: (A) STATE 169743; (B) STATE 169744

1. ON THE BASIS OF REFTELS WE EARLIER INFORMED
THE GOP AND CAMPANHIA PORTUGUESA DE ELECTRICIDADE
(CPE), THE PORTUGUESE ELECTRIC COMPANY, THAT THE
AEC WAS ANNOUNCING RESUMPTION OF URANIUM ENRICHMENT
CONTRACTING SUSPENDED IN JUNE.

2. ACCORDING TO PARA 5 OF REF A TWO CONTRACTS
WERE PENDING WITH PORTUGAL. WE ASSUMED, THEREFORE,
THAT CONTRACTING WITH PORTUGAL WAS BEING RESUMED.

3. ON AUGUST 28 THE EMBASSY RECEIVED FROM THE
DEPARTMENT A U.S. TREASURY CHECK FOR DOLS 1,870,000
FOR TRANSMITTAL TO CPE. (CHECK WAS DATED AUGUST 20, 1974,
AND CAME FROM TREASURY DEPARTMENT, DIVISION OF
DISBURSEMENT, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA.) THE CHECK,
HOWEVER, WAS ACCOMPANIED BY NO EXPLANATORY DOCUMENTATION.

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UPON ENQUIRING AT CPE IF THEY WERE EXPECTING A CHECK

OF THIS KIND, WE WERE TOLD THAT THIS WAS THE AMOUNT THAT CPE HAD SENT TO THE AEC IN CONNECTION WITH THE TWO CONTRACTS MENTIONED IN PARA 2 ABOVE. CPE IS WORRIED THAT THE RETURN OF THIS MONEY SIGNIFIES THAT SOME DIFFICULTIES ABOUT THE CONTRACT HAVE ARISEN.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE FIND OUT A. THE STATUS OF AEC'S CONTRACTING WITH CPE, AND B. THE SIGNIFICANCE OF CHECK DESCRIBED IN PARA 3. WE INTEND TO HOLD THIS CHECK UNTIL YOU ADVISE US AS TO STATUS OF CASE. CPE, WHICH IS GREATLY CONCERNED, WOULD APPRECIATE A PROMPT REPLY.
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